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JM&L LCMC breaks ground on new pyrotechnic research facility

Joint Munitions and Lethality Life Cycle Management Command, Picatinny Arsenal, N.J., officials and guests broke ground on a new modern pyrotechnics research facility during a brief ceremony Dec. 11.

The new facility, which could be completed as early as April 2008, will include a 13,000 square foot modern pyrotechnics laboratory and an 8,000 square foot pyrotechnics pilot manufacturing plant. The \$11 million project will also include information systems, utilities, sewers, storm drainage and site improvements needed to provide a fully functional state-of-the-art facility. For the full story, visit www.pica.army.mil/PicatinnyPublic/highlights/archive/2006/12-08-06.asp.

AMC exceeds retention goals, again

For the second year in a row, the U.S. Army Materiel Command has received the U.S. Army Retention Award for exceeding its fiscal year retention goals.

"Anyone who's been around the Army knows how important it is to help Soldiers stay on board. This award is very dear to me because it means we're keeping great Soldiers in the active Army. Everyone at AMC won this award and I'm very proud of all of you," said Gen. Benjamin S. Griffin, AMC commanding general, as he accepted the award from AMC's Command Sgt. Maj. Daniel K. Elder, at a ceremony here Dec. 15.

AMC exceeded its goal in initial term by 138 percent, midcareer by 126 percent, career by 123 percent, and reserve component by 117 percent. AMC was one of only four Army commands and direct reporting units to achieve this accomplishment, according to Elder. For the full story, visit <http://www.amc.army.mil/amc/pa/releases06/amc9.html>.

Tobyhanna Army Depot employee wins Army disabled employee of year

A production materials handler from Tobyhanna Army Depot, Pa. accepted the Department of the Army Disabled Employee of the Year Award during a ceremony at the Pentagon Dec. 5.

Born without arms and legs, Chester Bogart said he has never let his handicap prevent him from living a normal life. He was among 14 Defense Department employees honored at the 26th Annual DoD Disability Awards.

Bogart has tracked and expedited parts for several industrial cost centers in the depot's Production Management Directorate for more than 22 years. For the full story, visit <http://www.amc.army.mil/amc/pa/releases06/bogart.html>.

Spotlight On ... C-E LCMC Software Engineering Center

The Communications-Electronics Life Cycle Management Command Software Engineering Center provides centralized Software Asset Management services to its program managers and other customers to help them maintain total visibility on software assets across their entire enterprise.

This service has reduced software costs through consolidation of procurement requirements, and more effective use of existing inventory against all known or projected requirements. Fiscal year 2006 metrics for the Software Asset Management initiative reflect a procurement volume in excess of \$34 million, with savings in excess of \$3.9 million. For more information about the center, contact Sherman Charles at (703) 806-4172.

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